CITY OF BRAZIL



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MEETING OF THE BRAZIL COMMON COUNCIL BRAZIL, INDIANA January 12, 2011 7:00 P.M.

A meeting for the Brazil Common Council was held on January 12, 2011 in the Council Chambers of Brazil City Hall. Mayor A. Ann Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Council Members Present: Pat Heffner, William Lovett, Steve Lamb, Brad Deal and Sam Glover. Also Present: Mayor Ann Bradshaw, City Attorney Robert Pell and Clerk-Treasurer Karen McQueen.

Council Minutes to be approved: Sam Glover made a motion to pass the December 8, 2010 minutes and the December 22, 2011 minutes, seconded by William Lovett. Passed 5-0.

Mayor's Comments: None

Audience Comments: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Public Hearing with Kenna Consulting's Donna Anderson, was present to explain the SOS organization and the Old Brazil Junior High School Building, which would be the future home of the SOS organization. SOS will be using the building for a Community Center and is in the process of applying for a grant to make this happen. The grant is for \$500,000.00 and the local match is \$56,000.00 due to come from donations within the community. Application is due March 18, 2011 and any letters of support would be appreciated. A man from the audience by the name of Robert asked if there would be a mechanical lift for the building. Grant administrator Donna Anderson commented "yes." Jennifer Chamberlin another member of the audience commented that this will be a very safe place for our children to go with meals being provided for the children. She explained that there will also be mentoring programs, tutoring, and sporting events at the facility if grant is awarded. Council member Sam Glover commented that everyone in his ward was very excited about the potential for community building. Council member William Lovett commented that this Community Center would be a huge asset to our community. Council member Brad Deal commented that he was glad to see something positive happening with the building. Mayor Ann Bradshaw commented that SOS has helped some 200 plus children and she thought that SOS would help a lot more children if awarded this grant. Coach John Crooks commented that the old Brazil Junior High School has true

- history attached to it. Sam Glover then made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by William Lovett. Passed 5-0.
- 2. Notice of closing alley ways presented to Council, ordinance #1-2011 was 1st alley presented. Sam Glover made a motion to suspend the rules and pass on the 1st reading, seconded by Brad Deal. Passed 5-0. Sam Glover then made a motion to approve Ordinance #1-2011, seconded by Brad Deal. Passed 5-0. Ordinance #2-2011 was 2nd alley and it was then presented. Brad Deal made a motion to suspend the rules and pass on the first reading, seconded by Sam Glover. Passed 5-0. Brad Deal then made a motion to approve Ordinance #2-2011, seconded by Sam Glover. Passed 5-0.
- 3. Three appointments for the Plan Commission were presented to council members. It was decided by council that Patricia Heffner, Stacy Gibbens, and William Lovett would continue to be on the Planning Commission.
- 4. Tracy Lawson Attorney for Morris Manufacturing was present to ask council for a tax abatement for personal property. Resolution #1-2011 was presented to council. William Lovett made a motion to approve tax abatement for 5 years, seconded by Sam Glover. Passed 5-0.
- 5. Resolution #3-2011 establishing a policy to partially reimburse employees for cell phone use was presented. Sam Glover made a motion for cell phone stipend to be set at \$10.00 per week, 2nd by William Lovett. Passed 5-0. Sam Glover made a motion to approve Resolution #3 on the first reading, 2nd by William Lovett. Passed 5-0.
- 6. Resolution #2-2011 a resolution to transfer Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Properties to the Brazil Housing Authority. Sam Glover made a motion to approve Resolution #2-2011transfer of properties, 2nd by Brad Deal. Passed 5-0.

Future Agenda Items: None

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn meeting was made by Sam Glover, seconded by Brad Deal. Passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Karen McOueen, Clerk-Treasurer